



# NAYRS NEWS

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**Welcome...** to NAYRS News, our newsletter written to keep you in the know about the happenings at the Youth Center! Middle school and high schoolers can sign up for a membership and programs at the Front Desk or visit our website to register online! Check out everything that has been going on at the Youth Center lately, and see the programs and events coming in the spring!

## **Spring and Summer Programs Coming Soon!**

Winter's coming to a close, and our spring season will begin Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, and registration for spring programs will start online and at the YC on Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 9am! Spring programs will include movie nights, a girls boot camp, soccer tournaments, field trips and more!

Summer program registration will start online and at the Youth Center on Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 9am! This includes Summer Fun (Grades K-5), Sports & Rec (Grades 6-8), our summer basketball leagues, Girls Weeks and Boys Weeks for middle school students, and much more!



## **Girls Pick-Up Basketball**

**Written by: Jazlyn Moreno, Grade 7**

Hello readers! I'm happy to say that my pick-up basketball program is a blast! The girls are doing great and having so much fun playing the game itself. So girls with little experience? They were playing like pros! I couldn't be prouder. This program is still open! On Tuesdays, just for girls! Just walk in and the fun begins, and I hope we get even more girls soon! See you there!

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Anthony Jordan, Jason Kenneally, Jazlyn Moreno, Segev Moritz, Dominic Naggar & Doloreon Ferrao

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## Staff Spotlight: Josh Peters

Interview by: Jazlyn Moreno & Anthony Jordan, Grade 7

Josh Peters has been the Youth Center's Recreation Program Coordinator for the past 8 years, and will be leaving us on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Jazlyn and Anthony interviewed Josh on his time at the Youth Center, his favorite memories, and what he will miss the most.

**JM & AJ:** How long have you been working at the Youth Center? **JP:** I've been working here for 8 years.

**JM & AJ:** Why did you start working at the YC? **JP:** Through knowing many North Andover kids and parents at my previous job, I heard of the open position. I stayed because of the kids, and it's been a great 8 years.

**JM & AJ:** Are you excited for your new job? **JP:** Oh yeah, but I have mixed emotions about leaving, I'm happy and excited about my new job but it's difficult to leave.

**JM & AJ:** What was your favorite part about working at the YC? **JP:** The kids, it's made the decision to leave really difficult.

**JM & AJ:** What was your favorite YC field trip? **JP:** Our first indoor surfing trip, and getting to see everyone get better and better. My other favorite is the Celtics game where we were made it on the Jumbotron, and met the players.

**JM & AJ:** What was your favorite program that you ran at the YC? **JP:** The Tournament of Champions, we have held it every winter for 7 straight years and everyone gets into it. I also love our Summer League basketball program.

**JM & AJ:** What are your favorite moments at the YC? **JP:** Building relationships with the kids, and watching them grow up in front of our eyes.

Say goodbye to Josh before his last day on March 11<sup>th</sup>! We'll miss you Josh!



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## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance

This Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> we are having a 7<sup>th</sup> Grade ONLY dance at the YC! This is our first dance for just 7<sup>th</sup> graders, and you don't want to miss it! 7:30-10:30pm at the Youth Center, \$7 for members and \$12 for nonmembers.

## Tournament of Champions

Here are the current leaders in Tournament of Champions! We still have some great TOC events coming up, like our famous Slam Dunk Competition! Play in our games Mondays at 3pm!

Name	Pts.	Name	Pts.
Jack O'Connell	11	D'Ardre King	6
Jack Breen	10	Antonia Moran	5
Paige Pefine	8	Nate Williams	5
Ty Twombly	8	Anye Kachulis	5
Malena Gordon	6	Ava Hills	4
Travis Glendon	6	Ainsley Chittick	4
Brody McGratty	6	Tyler Nobile	4



## High Schoolers – don't miss these upcoming events!

**Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** our Helping Hands group will be holding a Dodgeball Tournament at 1:15 in the NAHS Gym. Sign up your team of 6 at the YC or with a Helping Hands member by this Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>! \$5 per person, all proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

**Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>** we will be hosting our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Teen Job Fair at the Youth Center from 5:00-7:00. Meet representatives from local businesses like the Youth Center, YMCA, Burton's Grill, Community Programs and more! No advanced registration necessary for teens to attend, check out our website for more info!

**Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** don't miss Christopher Grace performing at the High School at 7pm! He is Boston's best magician, mind reader and mentalist! Show is for NA residents. Tickets will be sold the week leading up to the show at NAHS and the Youth Center for \$7, and \$10 at the door.

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**WANT TO BE PART OF THE NAYRS NEWS CREW? OF COURSE YOU DO!**

Contact Demi at [dtetrault@nayouth.com](mailto:dtetrault@nayouth.com) or come to a meeting at the YC on Mondays at 3:00!

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